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A WEEK'S NEWS IN
CONDENSED FORMRECORD OF MOST INTERESTING
EVENTS TOLD IN BRIEFEST
MANNER POSSIBLE.

HOME AND FOREIGN ITEMS

Information Gathered from All Quar-
ters of the Civilized World and Pre-
pared for the Perusal of the Busy
Man.

The grand jury in New York, which has been investigating the affairs of the New York Life Insurance company, returned indictments charging forgery in the third degree against George W. Perkins, former vice president of the New York Life and a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., and Charles S. Fairchild, a former secretary of the treasury, president of the New York Security & Trust company (now out of existence) and a member of the finance committee of the insurance company.

Alexander J. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and one of the leading financiers of America, died suddenly in his residence in Philadelphia of heart disease.

Gen. Litvinoff, governor of the province of Akmolinsk, Asiatic Russia, was assassinated in the streets by two unknown men.

Raisuli has refused to resign his governorship of Tangier, has sent his harem to the mountains under the protection of a detachment of Kabyles, and is preparing to meet the forces of War Minister Gabbas at Zinat.

The Spanish fishing steamer *Priero* foundered in a storm and all of its crew were lost with the exception of one.

Sixteen persons were killed and more than 30 injured in a railway collision near Arbroath, Scotland, caused by the heavy snow storm.

Wintry weather almost unprecedented for severity has caused many deaths and great suffering in Great Britain and throughout central Europe.

A verdict declaring invalid the will of Father Thomas Macklin, a Catholic priest who left an estate worth \$150,000, was set aside by Judge Gest at Rock Island, Ill., on the ground that the verdict was not in accordance with the evidence.

Simon A. Sherman, aged 83 years, died at Steven's Point, Wis. He was known throughout the state as historian of Fox river valley and as a pioneer lumberman.

Business men of Sonora, Mex., recently arriving at Phoenix, Ariz., say that within the last two months 16 Americans have been killed by Yaqui Indians at one point or another in Mexico.

Two men were killed and a third so badly injured that he has since died, by the explosion of dynamite which was being thawed at Muskoday, 50 miles east of Fargo, N. D.

Secretary Shaw has rejected the offer of a big commercial combination to become its treasurer with headquarters in New York at a salary of \$100,000 a year under a five years' contract.

W. S. Keyes, vice president of the Humboldt Savings bank, and a pioneer business man of San Francisco, was found dead.

A negro wearing a United States army uniform shot a Chinese laundryman at El Reno, Okla., and escaped.

Mrs. Russell Sage, widow of the financier, gave out a statement in which she declared that it is not her intention to distribute immediately the money left to her by her husband and much less does she intend to distribute it everywhere and to everybody.

Five merchants of Alton, Ill., were fined five dollars each for violating the child labor law.

Rev. B. L. Holder, a Presbyterian minister, was murdered at Troy, Tenn. Emperor William has bestowed on Hugo Muensterberg, professor of physiology at Harvard university, the crown order of the second class.

Bishop A. Coke Smith, of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, died at Asheville, N. C.

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand and family left Washington, Secretaries Root, Taft and Metcalf, Justice Moody and more than a hundred members of the diplomatic corps being at the station to bid them farewell.

The Modern Language Association of America, in session at Yale university, indorsed simplified spelling.

Col. W. D. Mann, editor of Town Topics, was acquitted by a New York jury of the charge of perjury.

Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., formerly Miss Martha Hichborn, who secured a divorce in South Dakota several days ago, announced that she would soon be married to Paul S. Pearsall, of New York, a lieutenant in the regiment of rough riders during the war with Spain.

Neil Florence, an actor 45 years old, was found dead in his room at a New York boarding house. The apartment was filled with illuminating gas which was escaping from two open jets.

E. L. Larimore of Atlanta, Ga., accidentally shot and killed his niece, Miss Tynens K. Freeman.

Both sides of the protective tariff question as well as the discussion of capitalistic combinations, of political and civic subjects and topics bearing on sociology and history, were presented at the assembly of scientific and historic societies at Brown university, Providence, R. I.

Leroy J. Kelly, aged 23, of Crookston, Minn., is believed by his friends to have been murdered in Milwaukee for his money.

It was reported at Capetown from the German border that a peace between the German forces and the warring Hereros has been signed in Damaraland.

Articles were signed by William Delaney, representing James J. Jeffries, and B. F. Taylor, representing the Rhyolite A. C., for a fight for the heavyweight championship of the world and a \$30,000 purse at Rhyolite, Nev., next April, between Jeffries and William Squires of Australia.

Yaqui Indians massacred eight Mexicans at Lencho, Sonora, 12 near Valencia and probably others on ranches.

The race riots in Mississippi are ended and the troops have gone home.

Henry Laurens, in a paper before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, warned against the concentration of wealth.

A masked mob at Las Animas, Col., took a murderer from the jail and lynched him.

A colored soldier at El Reno, Okla., threw a white woman into the street and the citizens threaten to lynch him.

William J. Bryan virtually admitted he would be a candidate for the presidential nomination.

Gifford Pinchot, head of the forest service, defended the withdrawal of 4,000,000 acres in the Indian Territory for a forest reserve.

President Roosevelt, his family and guests went to Pine Knot, in the Virginia woods, for a four days' outing.

W. D. Hill, aged 73 years, an attorney of Defiance, O., died suddenly on a Wabash train while en route to Los Angeles, Cal.

Father M. J. O'Dwyer, founder and pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic church of Kansas City, Mo., was found dead in bed at the parochial residence.

Fire which started in the Philadelphia Strawboard company's plant practically destroyed four buildings in the manufacturing section of Philadelphia and badly damaged four other buildings. The loss is estimated at \$250,000.

Baron Hengelmuller, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, denied the rumor that he will resign the Washington mission.

Former Probate Judge A. J. Shores, of St. Louis, aged 76 years, died at his home from heart trouble.

The correctional at Nancy, France, fined Bishop Tetrinaz \$10 for striking a gendarme on the occasion of the former's expulsion from the episcopal residence there.

The governor of the province of Oriental Negros, Philippine Islands, has reported that 14 natives were killed and 13 injured in a panic at a midnight Christmas mass at Tanjay.

Heavy snowstorms throughout Austria-Hungary have resulted in the death of a number of persons from freezing.

Charles B. Fink, editor of the *Latrobe* (Pa.) *Advance*, dropped dead in that city, death being caused by apoplexy.

Edward H. Thompson, Sr., president of the Maryland National bank, died suddenly in Baltimore of acute indigestion. He was about 50 years old.

Mrs. Charles Weeks, 60 years old, of New Rochelle, N. Y., died at her home from hydrophobia. She was bitten three weeks ago by a small fox terrier her husband found in the street.

Walter S. Clarke, a well-known artist and illustrator, died in New York. He was 31 years old.

A negro ran amuck at Marlin, Tex., killed a colored girl 12 years old and fatally wounded Hunt Broddis, colored. The culprit escaped.

The sword of John Paul Jones has been placed in the library of the navy department in Washington by Commander Reginald Nicholson.

The Russian consul at Liverpool, Col. de Heilmann, was found dead in bed, having been killed by a pistol shot and a knife. The wounds were inflicted by himself.

In a San Francisco fight following a discussion of the Japanese school question Antonio Dora was so badly injured he will die. Two others were wounded.

Princess Alexandra Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg has been betrothed to Prince Augustus William, fourth son of Emperor William.

A maniac held possession of the switch tower at Cavanagh, Ind., for hours, disorganizing traffic on three railways.

Nearly all trains were sent out on schedule time by the Southern Pacific and the firemen's strike seemed about broken.

Minnesota began action to prevent the contemplated stock issue by the Great Northern railway.

Archbishop Ireland's statement on the Franco-Vatican conflict did not please the pope.

Earl Northup, aged 22, was probably fatally stabbed during a saloon brawl by Private Howard of Troop K, Thirtieth cavalry, at Fort Sill, Okla.

The Roman Catholic church at Osego, Mich., was burned following a Christmas celebration.

A sergeant of the Ninth cavalry, colored, killed a corporal in a fight about a woman at Fort Sheridan, Ill.

Leading citizens of New York addressed a letter to Secretary of State Root on the conditions in the Congo Free State, asking that the moral support of the United States be given to correct the abuses there.

It was rumored that a big deal was about to be closed whereby a Minneapolis company will consign a large quantity of Minneapolis flour for Russian consumption.

Commissioner of Immigration Sargeant says fewer Japanese are coming to Hawaii now.

Half of the town of Arica, Chile, was destroyed by an earthquake.

Capt. James E. Lennan, a famous Pacific coast pilot, was drowned at Jaueau.

Harrison Parkman, who first brought alfalfa from South America and planted it in the United States, died at Emporia, Kan., aged 73 years.

Benjamin Brown, financial manager of the American and United States Express companies, shot and probably fatally wounded himself.

The Chicago Bar association committee found that Judge A. H. Chetlain had committed improprieties and merited severe censure.

Count Eugene Zichy, the Hungarian statesman and Central Asian explorer, died of apoplexy. He was born in 1837.

The residence of Gov. McInnes, of the Yukon, at Dawson, known as Government House, was burned. Loss, \$100,000.

George Davis, aged 25, of Morris-town, N. J., lost his life in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue John Arke, an eight-year-old boy, from drowning.

Hiram Mullins and his son William were shot and fatally wounded in a feud battle fought at their home in Kentucky with a gang of desperadoes, headed by Charles and Bud Little and John Brewer.

The cotton harvest in central Asia is extremely good, 17,000 carloads instead of the usual 12,000, being available for export. Railroads will require special facilities to transport the cotton.

French, German and Russian expeditions have arrived at Tashkent, Asiatic Russia, to observe the eclipse January 14.

Gen. Joseph K. Hudson, editor and publisher of the *Topeka* (Kan.) *Herald*, is ill at Topeka and his physicians say his recovery is doubtful.

Fire originating from a defective gas lighting system destroyed three business blocks in Perry, Ia. The loss aggregates \$100,000.

The employees in the blast furnaces in the Mahoning and Shenango valleys have been notified that they will receive an increase of ten per cent. with the beginning of the new year. The increase will affect about 4,000 men.

Henry Newman, 65 years of age, founder of the cotton firm of H. & C. Newman and a member of the cotton exchange, died at his home in New York.

A heavy snowstorm in Great Britain has delayed trains and several schooners off the coast were wrecked by the gale.

The Zionists congress, in session at Crajeva, Roumania, was invaded by members of the anti-Jewish society. A riot ensued, during which many Jews were injured.

Several persons were seriously injured in a McKeesport (Pa.) boarding house in a riot over a Christmas turkey. The bird was not cooked to suit the boarders and the cranberry sauce was missing.

Falling into a sponge mixer full of dough, which he was feeding, H. D. Van Kirk, Columbus, O., was whirled round and round until every bone in his body was crushed before the machine was stopped and he was extricated, a corpse.

A duel with pitchforks between two grooms employed in a fashionable riding academy in New York resulted in probably fatal injuries to Thomas Connolly, whose eye and brain were penetrated by the prong of the fork wielded by James Cassidy.

Mrs. Susan Kelly, aged 50 years, was burned to death and her husband barely escaped with his life in a fire which destroyed their apartments in West Sixtieth street, New York.

Otto Yogielsky, a contracting plumber, shot and instantly killed his wife and then committed suicide in New York.

Just as he presented a Christmas gift to his wife, Thomas Cardin, of Philadelphia, dropped dead of heart disease.

Rev. T. K. Crowley, of St. Patrick's church, Denison, Tex., while putting on his vestments to celebrate high mass, dropped dead.

Three men were killed and four wounded in a battle between guards employed by the West Kentucky Coal company at Sturgis, Union county, Ky., and the striking miners at that place.

Edward H. Judson, Dr. Emanuel L. Hess, Thomas Cochran and Dr. L. W. Babcock, all prominent pioneer residents of St. Paul, Minn., died.

Manager Iso Abe, of Waseda university, Japan, has accepted the challenge of Stanford university for an international baseball contest to be played in Tokyo some time in May.

Sailors from the United States cruiser *Cleveland* caused a panic in a public park in Cienfuegos, Cuba, where a concert was going on, by engaging in a fight and firing many shots. The police arrested several of the sailors.

Rear Admiral Nebogotoff and three other officers were sentenced to death for surrendering to the Japanese in the battle of the Sea of Japan, but the court martial will ask the czar to commute the sentences to ten years' imprisonment.

Governor Magoon signed the decree appointing a commission to revise the laws of Cuba.

Frank Hair, for 13 years in charge of the musical department of the Baker university at Baldwin, Kan., and composer of choir music used all over the country, died suddenly at Excelsior Springs, Mo.

DYING YEAR

Is Marked by a Frightful
Railroad Disaster.

DEAD NUMBER 38.

An Express Train on the B. & O.
Road Ran Into Another Train
Near Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C.—An appalling disaster occurred Sunday night at 7 o'clock on the Baltimore & Ohio road at Terra Cotta, three miles from this city, in which 38 persons were killed and over 50 injured, some of them so seriously that they will die.

The accident was caused by the collision of train No. 66, due here at 6:25 p. m. from Frederick, Md., known as the Frederick special, with a deadhead passenger equipment special of eight cars. Over 200 passengers were aboard the ill-fated train. The railway officials late last night were unable to assign any cause for the collision.

Dead bodies were found lying beside the track for a considerable distance. A dense fog was prevailing and made objects perceptible but a few feet ahead.

Mrs. H. F. Fisher, of this city, while responding to the call of a sufferer, almost stumbled over the body of a 2-year-old child lying near the track. The baby was terribly bruised, but was still alive. It was said that the mother of the infant had been killed.

The ill-fated train runs only on Sunday for the benefit of many Washingtonians who have their country places on the line, or go to visit relatives.

One of the worst features of the catastrophe was enacted at the station of Terra Cotta. Here a number of passengers were waiting to take the train into the city when the collision occurred. Of the large number only two escaped. The remainder were either killed by being thrown under the train or injured by flying pieces of wreckage.

It has been proved that the danger signal at Tacoma Park, a short distance from the scene of the accident, was set when the train of empties went past. The train was going at the rate of 60 miles an hour and Engineer Hildebrand stated that on account of the heavy fog he could not see the signal. His train ran into the Frederick train just as it was pulling out of Terra Cotta, where it had stopped to take on four or five passengers. Two of these were among the killed.

Both Engineer Hildebrand and the fireman on the train of empty freight cars were arrested and brought to Washington in charge of officers.

WAS KILLED WITH A HATCHET.

A Wealthy Old Man Is Found Murdered
in His Home at Kansas City.

Kansas City.—Thomas Fanning, aged 80 years, a wealthy property owner who lived alone, was murdered Saturday at his home in Olive street. The head was horribly hacked with a hatchet. The crime was reported to the police Sunday by William Fanning, the murdered man's nephew and only heir.

Robbery apparently was not the motive of the crime, as \$2,700 was found by the police in a chest in the room where the body was discovered. In the old man's pockets were a gold watch, \$13 in money and a deposit slip showing that he had deposited \$18,000 in a bank on December 5. Thomas Fanning had been living alone, occupying the floor of a house which he owned, since December 21, when his wife died. Will Fanning says he called at his uncle's home Sunday afternoon and found the body. He at once informed the police. The young man disclaimed any knowledge of the crime. Four deep gashes had been cut in Fanning's head.

JOINED THE MAJORITY.

Baroness Burdett-Coutts, England's
Wealthiest Woman, Is Dead.

London, Eng.—Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who had been ill at her residence here since Christmas eve, died Sunday.

The death of Baroness Burdett-Coutts, occurring at the age of 92 years, besides depriving the country of one of its most famous philanthropists, removes from London a unique personality and an interesting social figure. As a link with the almost forgotten past, her life beginning during the reign of Emperor Napoleon I, she lived during the reigns of five British sovereigns. Inheriting an immense fortune, she so used it as to die beloved by the whole nation. She was the richest woman in England.

She was married to Ashmead Bartlett in 1881. The baroness was an intimate friend of Queen Victoria. She visited her bank and attended to business daily until a week ago.

Confesses Murder.—John Price, who has been under arrest since December 8, according to a statement made Sunday by Captain of Detectives Donahy has confessed that he murdered Mrs. Maurice Lewis on September 10.

Runaway Trolley Car was Wrecked. Cincinnati, O.—At least 30 persons were injured, one of whom, Daniel Kernan, a passenger, has since died, in the wreckage Sunday of a runaway electric car on Warsaw avenue hill.

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Happenings in the Buck-
eye State.

Claim Prosecutions Should Cease.

Lima, O.—All prosecutions now pending in various counties over the state against the alleged bridge trust companies will end if Judge Quail sustains the motions filed here Friday by trustees of the King, Bellefontaine and other companies which were ousted and their charters annulled in October. The companies claim they were killed by the attorney general, have no officers and that the trustees are only administering their estates. They claim the state should be barred from further prosecutions against corporate beings which no longer exist. All bridge trust prosecutions have been continued pending decisions.

Receiverships Will be Lifted.

Cincinnati.—The litigation involving the C. H. & D. railroad, the Toledo Railway & Terminal Co. and other lines, which formed the nucleus of Eugene Zimmerman's "great central" system, is to be dismissed and several receiverships are to be lifted within a few weeks, according to report Wednesday. The segregation of the "system" will be the outcome, the Pere Marquette being relieved of its liability on C. H. & D. funded indebtedness, the C. H. & D. likely going over to the Erie and the C. C. & L. and Toledo Railway & Terminal companies being granted concessions in return for dismissing suits.

An Important Capture of Crooks.

Toledo, O.—An important arrest was made here Tuesday night when Marion Kelley, of national notoriety and two men thought to be members of the gang which for two years has kept the banks of Ohio in a state of fear, were gathered in by detectives. Kelley is wanted for a big robbery at Bainbridge last January. James Donohue and John Griffin, the other men, were taken because they showed themselves accomplices by trying to murder Detectives Deleahanty and Welsh while they were taking Kelley out of a saloon.

Stenographers, Take Notice.

Columbus, O.—Uncle Sam will have an examination at Cincinnati January 2 for expert stenographers for the interstate commerce commission. The test consists of ten minutes at the rate of 175 words a minute and a dictation of five minutes with from 175 words to 200 words a minute. The only test in typewriting is the transcription of the work. The salary is \$1,500 per year. For additional information Secretary Frank Leonard, at the Columbus postoffice, should be consulted.

The State Treasurer's Report.

Columbus, O.—State Treasurer McKinnon on Thursday filed his annual report with Gov. Harris. The report shows the total receipts to have been \$13,074,423, total disbursements \$9,328,390, balance in treasury November 15, \$3,746,033. During the year the treasurer had an average of \$2,137,350 in 75 banks, some of these banks paying at the rate of 2½ and some 1½ per cent. interest. The report shows a total of \$2,054,557.56 Dow tax money on hand.

Girl Abducted Her Brother.

Cincinnati, O.—Gertrude Witherby, aged 20, is speeding across the continent with her brother Walker, aged 8, who, it is charged, she spirited away from the home of their stepmother, Mrs. Emma Witherby. "Your stepdaughter has taken away your stepson. You will never see him again. Goodbye," was the note Mrs. Witherby found on her doorstep. In fulfillment of the dying request of her husband a month ago, Mrs. Witherby will fight for possession of the child.

Demented Woman Attempted Suicide.

Cleveland, O.—Mrs. Flossie Boyle, aged 29 years, a sufferer from religious mania, plunged from the second-story window of her home on Hampden street Wednesday during an insane moment. Her back was badly injured in the fall. This was her second flight of the kind. She was cared for by a physician and then hurried to the probate court. Judge Hadden pronounced her insane.

Spent Last Dime for His Deathbed.

Cleveland, O.—Alone and unattended, Samuel Clemens, aged 33, formerly a bank clerk, and said to be the son of a wealthy Cambridge (Ohio) family, died miserably in a bunk at the Palsade, a cheap lodging house, Thursday night. He had spent his last dime for his deathbed. Acute alcoholism was the direct cause of death.

A Breach of Promise Suit.

Delaware, O.—Francis M. Jeffrey, aged 65, a wealthy retired manufacturer, faces a \$5,000 breach of promise suit because of the opposition of his children to his marriage with Miss Missouri Harroun, 30. Miss Harroun wants \$5,000 to atone for her wounded feelings and has entered suit. Miss Harroun lives in Ashley.

Peculiar Cause of Fire.

Wellston, O.—A home was destroyed by fire Friday in a peculiar manner. A loaded shotgun was placed just behind the stove and when the fire was built grew red hot. The heat ignited the powder, which set fire to the lace curtains.

Was Killed by an Electric Wire.

Findlay, O.—James F. Kelly, one of the best known oil well contractors in the local field, was instantly killed Thursday night by coming in contact with an electric wire in the cellar.

CHOOSING A NEW MINISTER.

Why Some Were Never Rejected;
Also Why No. 5 Was Favored.

The faithful old parson had died after 30 years' preaching, and perhaps the newer methods had begun to creep in, for it seemed impossible to suit the two communities most interested in the choice.

Rev. Mr. Davis, for example, was a spirited preacher, but persisted in keeping two horses in the parsonage stable, and in exchanging them whenever he could get faster ones. As a parochial visitor he was incomparable, dashing from house to house with such speed that he could cover the parish in a single afternoon. This sporting tendency, which would never have been remarked in a British parson, was frowned upon in a New England village, and Deacon Milliken told Mr. Davis, when giving him what he alluded to as his "walking papers," that they didn't want the church run by horse power!

The next candidate pleased Edgewood, where morning preaching was held, but the other parish, which had afternoon service, rejected him because he wore a wig—an ill matched, crookedly applied wig.

Number three was eloquent, but given to gesticulation, and Mrs. Jere Burbank, the president of the Dorcas society, who sat in a front pew, said she couldn't bear to see a preacher scramble 'round the pulpit hot Sundays.

Number four, a genial, handsome man, gifted in prayer, was found to be a Democrat. The congregation was overwhelmingly Republican in its politics, and perceived something ludicrous, if not positively blasphemous, in a Democrat preaching the Gospel, ("Ananias and Beelzebub 'll be candidates here, first thing we know!" exclaimed the outraged Republican nominee for district attorney.)

Number five was Rev. Judson Baxter, the present incumbent, and he was voted to be as near perfection as a minister can be in this finite world. His young wife had a small income of her own, so the subscription committee hoped that they might not be eternally driving over the country to get somebody's 50 cents that had been overdue for eight months, but might take their onerous duties a little more easily.—Kate Douglas Wiggin, in *Scribner's*.

Pastoral Loveliness and Peace.

Mayor Stoy, of Atlantic City, said the other day of a disappointing industrial stock:

"The people that had their money in this stock felt, when it dropped, a shock akin to that which was incurred by a philanthropist at one of our big hotels."

"For an experiment this philanthropist recently sent a child from the New York slums to the country. To this child, raised among slum horrors, all the beauty and poetry of a pastoral life was offered. Thus the philanthropist expected to give the youngster an esthetic education."

"Well, the other day the man went to see his charge. She is a little girl. He took her on his knee, glanced with approbation about the quaint old farm kitchen, and said:

"And do you find the country very beautiful, my dear?"

"Oh, beautiful," the youngster answered.

"And what have you seen during your week's sojourn here?"

"I've seen 87 turkeys killed and a man's nose broken in a pumpkin raffle."

The Parable of Lazarus.

"Lazarus," said Brother Dickey, "lay down at de rich man's gate, didn't he?"

"He sho' did!"

"An' how did de rich man treat him?"

"Never once knowed he wuz dar!"

"An' war is dat rich man now?"

"Look yer, Bre'r Dickey," said the weak member, as he fumbled in his pockets, "ef you 'bleege ter have dat 60 cents right off—yer it is! Take it, an' go yo' ways!"—Atlanta Constitution.